



State Water Resources Control Board

CLEAN WATER ACT SECTION 401 WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION NOTICE OF APPLICABILITY FOR ENROLLMENT UNDER STATE WATER BOARD GENERAL ORDER FOR THE CORPS' REGIONAL GENERAL PERMIT 63 (ORDER NO. [WQ] 2023-0095-DWQ)

Program Type: Fill/Excavation

Project Type: Overhead Utility

Federal Lic: Regional General Permit 63

Project: Cema Lugo-Mira Loma Projects 1, 2, and 6
Emergency Road Repair
Regulatory Measure ID: 456461
WDID: SB24036IN

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I. Summary

This document serves as a Notice of Applicability for enrollment under the State Water Board General Order for the Regional General Permit (Order No. [WQ] 2023-0095-DWQ; SWRCB ID SB23036GN; hereafter referred to as the General Order) at the request of Southern California Edison (Applicant). The General Order can be accessed at [the Clean Water Act Section 401 - Certification and Wetlands Program, General Orders webpage](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/cwa401/generalorders.html#yr_2023) (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/cwa401/generalorders.html#yr_2023). On April 2, 2024, the State Water Board received a complete Notice of Intent requesting authorization for the Applicant's Cema Lugo-Mira Loma Projects 1, 2, and 6 Emergency Road Repair (Project). After reviewing the Notice of Intent, the State Water Board has determined that the Project meets General Order requirements for Regional General Permit 63: Emergency Repair and Protection Activities.

II. Project Description

As described in the Project Notice of Intent and supplemental information (hereafter referred to as the application), which is incorporated herein by reference the purpose of the Project is to repair approximately 41.9 miles of existing access roads that were severely damaged by recent storms. These access roads are used to maintain and inspect critical electrical infrastructure. The Applicant has identified approximately 76 potential stream crossings within waters of the state that are intersecting the access roads. Construction started on April 2, 2024 and is expected to continue through September 2024.

III. Project Location

The Project is located approximately one mile east of Cajon Junction in San Bernardino County, California. The northmost extent of the Project work is located at coordinates 34.368383°N, 117.371113°W. The southmost extent of the Project is located at coordinates 34.245559°N, 117.443803 °W. The Project is located within the jurisdiction of the Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board, Victorville Office and the Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board.

IV. Conditions

A. Scope of Authorization

The Project may proceed only as described in the Application submitted to the State Water Board by the Applicant and in accordance with the conditions in State Water Board General Order No. [WQ] 2023-0095-DWQ and this Notice of Applicability. This authorization is no longer valid if the Project (as described) is modified.

Receiving waters potentially impacted by this Project are listed in Table 1. These waters are regulated in accordance with the applicable water quality control plan (Basin Plan) for the regions and other plans and policies of the California Water Boards, which may be accessed online at [the State Water Boards' Plans and Policies webpage \(http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/plans_policies/\)](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/plans_policies/).

Table 1: Receiving Water Information

Impact Site ID	Waterbody Name	Impacted Aquatic Resource Type	Water Board Hydrologic Units	Receiving Waters	Receiving Waters Beneficial Uses	303(d) Listing Pollutants
ENV009508	Unnamed ephemeral tributaries	Stream Channel	801.52	Cajon Creek – Tributary to Santa Ana River	COLD, GWR, MUN, RARE, REC1, REC2, SPWN, WILD	N/A
ENV009500	Unnamed ephemeral tributaries	Stream Channel	628.20	Mojave River	AGR, COLD, GWR, MUN, RARE, REC1, REC2, SPWN, WILD	Chloride, Sodium, Sulfates, TDS

Only the total Project fill/excavation quantities for all impacts listed in Table 2 below are authorized.

Table 2: Total Project Fill/Excavation Quantity to Stream Channels

Temporary Impact ¹	Permanent Impact - Physical Loss of Area	Permanent Impact - Degradation of Ecological Condition Only
0.57 acres 1,376 linear feet	0 acres 0 linear feet	0 acres 0 linear feet

¹ Includes only temporary direct impacts to waters of the state and does not include upland areas of temporary disturbance which could result in a discharge to waters of the state. Temporary impacts, by definition, are restored to pre-project conditions and therefore do not include a physical loss of area or degradation of ecological condition.

B. Reporting and Notification Requirements

The Applicant shall submit Report Type 1 through 4, as described in Attachment B, "Report and Notification Requirements," of the General Order. The Applicant must also submit Report Types 5 through 10 if the Project encounters the conditions described in these Report Types. The Applicant must submit all reports and information required under this Certification according to the Report Submittal Instructions found in Attachment B, "Report and Notification Requirements," of the General Order.

V. California Environmental Quality Act

The State Water Board has determined that the Project is exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 14. In accordance with Section 15269, the basis for the CEQA exemption is "Emergency Projects."

VI. Certification Fees

A fee payment of \$2,985 was received by the State Water Board on April 2, 2024. The fee amount was determined as required by California Code of Regulations, title 23, sections 3833(b)(3) and 2200(a)(3), and was calculated as category F- Emergency Projects authorized by a Water Board General Order (fee code 85) with the dredge and fill fee calculator.

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